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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Craig L. Mechelke, D.O.
815 E University Ave
Mesa, AZ 85203

RE: Letter of Concern, License No. 1673, Case No. 3367C

Dear Dr. Mechelke:

At the meeting on October 29, 2005, the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery ("Board") reviewed the above-referenced complaint. The complaint alleged, among several other things, that you might have violated Arizona Revised Statutes by providing patient care that fell below the prevailing standard or could endanger a patient's health and safety.

Based on the information presented, the Board found there was insufficient evidence to conclude that your conduct constituted unprofessional conduct or to support direct action against your license. However, the Board voted to issue you this advisory LETTER OF CONCERN pursuant to the provisions of A.R.S. 32-1855 (D) (2). The Board was concerned that you may have failed to provide adequate care to your patient which could lead to a violations of A.R.S. § 32-1854 (6), which state,

"Engaging in the practice of medicine in a manner that harms or may harm a patient or that the board determines falls below the community standard."

A Letter of Concern is a non-disciplinary action that remains part of the public record of your license for five years from the date of issuance (meeting date). During those years it will be provided in response to requests for copies of your license file or verifications of license status, including being posted on the Board's website. It also may be cited in future actions against your license. Because it is not a disciplinary action, it is not reported to the National Practitioner Data Base.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Respectfully,


Jack Confer
Executive Director

JC/s
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